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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. KNOCHE

NSAM No. 274, attached, is of particular interest to the Director. Please find out from DD/I approximately when the memorandum for the President will be ready and arrange to inform the DCI periodically in our morning cables just what is going on in this regard.

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MATIONAL SECURITY ACTION MEMORANDUM NO. 274

TO:

The Secretary of State

The Secretary of Commerce

The Director of Central Intelligence

SUBJECT:

Cuba -- Economic Denial Program

- 1. At his meeting on Cuba on December 19, 1963, the President systed his deep concern with the extent of Free World trade with Cuba, and his desire for a detailed memorandum on the subject.
- 2. Accordingly, it is requested that State coordinate with Commerce and CIA and prepare a memorandum which includes, but is not necessarily restricted to, the following information.
 - (a) The extent of the trade between the Free World and Coba -- e.g. the value of the trade and the countries involved.
 - (b) The commodities involved in Free World trade with Cuba, paying special attention to items which are critical to the Cuban economy.
 - (c) The names and addresses of the principal firms which are directly or indirectly involved with the shipment of commodities. to Cuba.
 - (6) Steps we have taken with foreign governments and private companies to stop trade with Cuba, including the responses of such governments and companies to our pressures.
 - (e) Recommendations for further action.

McGeorge Bundy

cc:

The Department of Defense
The Department of the Treasury

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